

AT HOME WITH THE WASTENOT FAMILY

Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government
Division of Waste Management

Call LexCall at 311 or visit our Web site at [www.lexingtonKY.gov/Environmental Quality/Waste Management](http://www.lexingtonKY.gov/Environmental%20Quality/Waste%20Management)



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Not sure about plastics accepted in the Rosie?

If you don't see the type of container here, do not put it in the Rosie. (Similar list is on the Rosie lid.) Nationwide, there is a consistent market for the types of plastic we take. Do NOT go by numbers!



Beverage bottles and jugs

breakfast	juice
drinks	
liquor &	milk
mixes	
sodas/ale	sports drinks
tea	vegetable juice

Laundry and cleaning-products bottles and jugs

bleach	fabric softener
detergent	stain remover
dish washing	vinegar





Women help machine: When the optical sorter misses wrong material mixed in with the plastics, Angelita Commodore (left) and Gloria Balderis of Labor Works pull it off the line.

Wrong material can shut down new equipment

We appreciate all your efforts to recycle more! We are now processing an average of 18 tons of material an hour. However, coat hangers, garden hoses and other wrong material can lead to the equipment having to be shutdown, delaying the process and idling or injuring workers. Please use the three carts correctly. Below are items that should not go into the Rosie and options for proper disposal.

DO NOT PUT IN ROSIE:

Propane or helium tanks or compressors

Chains

Cookware

Knives

Pie pans

Swing-set pieces or any other pieces of metal

There is a drop-off box for metal at the recycling center on the corner of Manchester Street and Thompson Road. Hours are: M-F, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., S, 7 a.m. to noon.

Car parts, tires or batteries

Batteries can be recycled through auto shops. Car parts and rims can be sold as scrap metal. Residents can arrange for a pickup of up to 4 tires, off the rims, by calling LexCall at 311.

Garden hoses, extension cords, ropes or leashes

These can wrap around the recycling equipment and cause jams. Put them in the Herbie.

Metal or plastic clothes hangers

Hangers can jam the recycling equipment. Metal hangers can go in the metal drop-off box at the recycling center. Donate plastic and metal hangers to a charity for reuse or put them in the Herbie.

Tarps, blankets and clothing

These items can get tangled in the recycling equipment and

cause jams. Donate them to a charity or put them in the Herbie.

Plastic lawn chairs, laundry baskets, trash cans, plastic toys, and buckets, like the kitty litter ones

If items are unbroken, donate to a charity. If broken, place in your Herbie. Find a use for the kitty litter buckets or put them in the Herbie.



Needles

Used needles/syringes should be securely enclosed in a container such as a coffee can or milk jug and placed in the Herbie. Used needles are a biohazard and a health risk to our workers.

Electronics

Electronic items such as TVs, computers, cell phones, radios and microwaves can be dropped off for recycling at the LFUCG campus, 1306 Versailles Road, M, T, S, 8-noon, W, Th., F, noon to 4.

Yard Waste

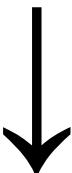
There is a city ordinance against putting yard waste in anything except the Lenny yard waste cart or paper bags provided by the city. Call LexCall at 311 to request a cart for your yard waste.

Three waste streams

Which do you support?

Garbage

Herbie's contents go to three landfills outside Fayette County



Tonnage: Last fiscal year we put 2,726 tons of material a week from the Herbies into 3 landfills.

Cost: Burying that material costs us about \$3 1/2 million. The EPA estimates that 70% of what we landfill as garbage could be recycled and composted.

Employment: Landfills, on average, employ 15 people, depending on the size.

Recycling

Rosie's contents go to the recycling center where the material is sorted, baled, and sent to market to be made into other products.



Who recycles? Sixty-five percent of our customers have a Rosie.

Money it makes: Material from the Rosies is sold, grossing about \$2 million last fiscal year. The money goes back into the urban services fund and enabled the city to cut the garbage tax by 10%.

Economic impact: Material from the Rosie program goes to 5 Kentucky businesses, employing around 1,300 people.

Yard waste



Recycling yard waste kept 22,845 tons of material from being landfilled last year. It would have cost \$530,000 to landfill it. Yard waste is turned into mulch and given away 8 times a year.



What to do with a dead animal

Whether it's a pet or a squirrel, customers sometimes don't know what to do with a dead animal. Here's information we hope will help.

- Pet or a small animal you find in your yard — double bag it in plastic, place it on the curb, and call LexCall, 311.
- Bird — double bag it in plastic and put it in the Herbie.
- Dead animal on a city-maintained street — report it to LexCall, 311.
- Dead animal on a state highway — call State Highway Maintenance at 246-2355.
- Dead livestock — call Conboy Enterprises LLC/Horse Hearse Farm at 859-221-6998. There is a fee.
- Dead wildlife on a property — contact a private company that deals with critters or Kentucky Fish and Wildlife at 1-800-858-1549.
- Pet waste in a neighbor's yard that has become a nuisance — call Environmental Health 231-9791.

Safely dispose of medications at 'Med Toss'

The LFUCG's departments of Environmental Quality and Police, with assistance from Kentucky American Water and Bluegrass PRIDE, are sponsoring a safe-disposal day for medicines and pharmaceuticals on Saturday, October 23, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at these locations:

- * Broadway Baptist Church, 2500 Harrodsburg Road
- * Kentucky American Water Company, 2300 Richmond Road
- * Consolidated Baptist Church, 1625 Russell Cave Road
- * NorthEast Christian Church, 990 Star Shoot Parkway
- * Division of Police East Sector Roll Call Facility, 1165 Centre Parkway

Keep the medicines in the container, just mark through the name. Items accepted include expired, unwanted prescription and over-the-counter medicines, vitamins, cough syrups, eye drops, and nose sprays.

Paper shredding day

Residential customers can have paper, file folders, and any personal documents disposed of safely on the LFUCG's paper-shredding day. Staples, paper clips and rubber bands can stay, but don't include plastic folders or binders. Limit is 25 boxes of material.



When: Saturday, November 13, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Drop-off site: Former Old Frankfort Pike landfill, 1631 Old Frankfort Pike, approximately 1/2 mile inside New Circle Road. Signs will direct you.

Cameras will be mounted at the entry and exit points of the shredding unit to assure you the material is destroyed. The shredded paper is recycled.

Mulch & Herbie compost bins available

Saturdays, October 9 and 16, 8 a.m. to noon at the former Old Frankfort Pike landfill, 1631 Old Frankfort Pike. Mulch and Herbie carts converted to compost bins are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Free dump day

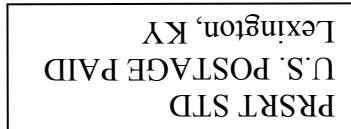
Saturday, Oct. 16, 6 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Bluegrass Waste Alliance Transfer Station, 1505 Old Frankfort Pike. A pickup truck load of bagged garbage and up to 4 tires can be dropped off free.

LFUCG HOLIDAY COLLECTION SCHEDULE

<i>Holidays</i>	<i>Makeup Day</i>
Thursday, November 25	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, December 24	Christmas Eve
Friday, December 31	New Year's Eve

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